## STATE OF NEW YORK

## LEGISLATURE OF ERIE COUNTY BUFFALO, N.Y., JANUARY 5TH, 2023, A.D.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT at a regular session of the Legislature of Erie County held in the Old County Hall, in the City of Buffalo, on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of January 2023 A.D., a resolution was adopted, of which the following is a true copy:

## Honoring Marc Gentner on his Fifth Year as Springville Fire Chief

WHEREAS, The Erie County Legislature seeks to honor individuals and institutions of Erie County who enhance the quality of life in the community through their efforts; and

WHEREAS, Firefighters dedicate their lives to the protection of life and property, and through commitment and sacrifice, they volunteer countless hours over many years and take extraordinary risks, not to benefit themselves, but selflessly working to ensure that their communities are safe; and

WHEREAS, Firefighting has always been in Marc Gentner's blood; following in his father's (Chief Maurice Gentner) footsteps, Marc is a second-generation fire chief attending his very first fire hall meeting at the tender age of five; and

WHEREAS, Marc Gentner began his journey in high school as a junior firefighter with the West Valley Volunteer Fire Company and served with distinction for thirty-five years, moving up the ladder to the positions of assistant chief and chief; and

WHEREAS, in 2010, Marc Gentner moved to Springville and continued his selfless devotion to community service by joining the Springville Volunteer Fire Company and has earned a reputation for always being ready, willing, and able to go above and beyond the call of duty; and

WHEREAS, Marc Gentner has once again demonstrated his leadership skills by serving as Springville Fire Company's fire lieutenant, third assistant chief, first assistant chief, and has been elected for the 5<sup>th</sup> consecutive year to the position of Chief of the Springville Fire Company; and

WHEREAS, Marc Gentner also serves as Training Officer, Aerial Six Fire Captain and oversees the fire company's equipment and other apparatus; and

WHEREAS, Chief Marc Gentner is highly regarded by the Springville Fire Department and community for his exemplary leadership skills, tireless dedication, sacrifice, and wealth of knowledge.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** the Erie County Legislature pauses in its deliberations to honor **Springville Fire Chief Marc Gentner** and to thank him for his continued commitment and dedication to the Springville community.

MINORITY LEADER JOHN J. MILLS Erie County Legislator – 11th District